2008

SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Darlington County Institute of Technology
Grades: 9-12   **Enrollment:** 955
Director: Bert Guerry
Board Chair: Dr. Allem McCutcheon
Superintendent: Dr. Rainey H. Knight

PERFORMANCE

Comprehensive detail, including definitions of ratings, performance criteria, and explanations of status, is available on www.ed.sc.gov and www.eoc.sc.gov as well as school and school district websites. Printed versions are available from school districts upon request.

YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	N/A	N/A	TBD	Met	N/A
2007	N/A	N/A	N/A	Met	N/A
2006	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF CAREER CENTERS IN SC*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
34	2	1	0	0

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/18/2009. All Career Centers in South Carolina are included.

TECHNICAL SKILL ATTAINMENT

The percentage of students enrolled in career and technology courses at a center who earn a 2.0 or above on the final course grade.

Our Center		State Center Average (%)
n	%	%
804	84.3%	85.2%

GRADUATION RATE

The number of 12th grade career technology education students who graduate in the spring is divided by the number of 12th graders enrolled in the center and converted to a percentage.

Our Center		State Center Average (%)
n	%	%
288	93.8%	94.4%

PLACEMENT RATE

The number of career and technology completers who are available for placement in postsecondary instruction, military services, or employment is divided into the number of students over a three-year period who are actually placed and converted to a percentage. This criterion mirrors the Perkins standard.
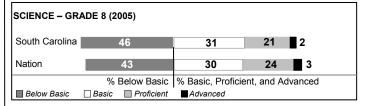
Our Center		State Center Average (%)
n	%	%
0.0	0.0%	97.4%

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

READING – GRADE 8 (2007)

	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient, and Advanced
South Carolina	31	44 / 23 / 2
Nation	27	43 / 27 / 2

▪ Below Basic   ☐ Basic   ▪ Proficient   ■ Advanced

MATH – GRADE 8 (2007)

	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient, and Advanced
South Carolina	29	39 / 24 / 7
Nation	30	39 / 24 / 7

▪ Below Basic   ☐ Basic   ▪ Proficient   ■ Advanced

SCIENCE – GRADE 8 (2005)

	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficient, and Advanced
South Carolina	46	31 / 21 / 2
Nation	43	30 / 24 / 3

▪ Below Basic   ☐ Basic   ▪ Proficient   ■ Advanced

SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:
By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our Center	Change from Last Year	Median Career Center
Students (n=955)			
With disabilities other than speech	8.0%	Up from 0.0%	9.3%
Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	17.4%	Down from 19.7%	20.7%
Enrollment in career/technology courses	955	Up from 699	675
Students participating in work-based experiences	0.0%	Down from 30.6%	20.6%
Teachers (n=20)			
Teachers with advanced degrees	20.0%	Up from 19.0%	27.2%
Continuing contract teachers	75.0%	Down from 76.2%	71.9%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	15.8%	Up from 15.0%	19.5%
Teachers returning from previous year	N/A	N/A	92.5%
Teacher attendance rate	93.3%	Up from 90.1%	95.6%
Average teacher salary	$48,855	Up 7.3%	$46,693
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	N/A	N/A	N/A
Center			
Director's years at Center	3.0	Up from 2.0	4.0
Dollars spent per pupil*	$3,377	N/A	$3,234
Prime instructional time	N/R	N/R	N/A
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	50.7%	N/A	55.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	61.8%	N/A	63.7%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	20	139	45
Percent satisfied with learning environment	100.0%	86.3%	91.1%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	85.4%	73.3%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	90.0%	83.2%	93.3%

* Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The Darlington County Institute of Technology (DCIT) serves as the career and technology education center for the Darlington County School District. The DCIT serves more than 950 students from Darlington, Hartsville, Lamar and Mayo high schools in Darlington County. Seventeen programs of study are offered in accordance with standards set by the South Carolina State Department of Education. The DCIT is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (AdvancED). The DCIT is committed to providing students with the skills and knowledge necessary to pursue post-secondary education and to enter the workplace prepared and capable of performing the task that will be required of them.

The DCIT had 224 students earn four or more units in a program of study (completer) and inducted 88 students into the National Technical Honor Society. The DCIT had 84 students earn Certified Nursing Assistant certification and 138 students earned OSHA 501 safety certification. Our students participated in DECA, HOSA, FBLA, FFA, PICA and Skills USA competitive events at the state level. Our HOSA students won first place in five competitive events, our Skills USA students won first and second place in the Industrial Motor Controls, and our Graphics students won four of the six competitive events and "Best of Show" in the PICA competition.

All of the completers at the DCIT take the Workkeys assessment as part of their course requirements. More than 65% of our students earned Silver or Gold cards from the Workkeys assessment.

The DCIT continues to actively pursue industry recognized certifications in ASE, NIMS, AWS and NCCER programs of study. We continually work with local industry and our curriculum to make sure we are teaching the curriculum that fits the industries needs.
We at the DCI are always "leaping for success" to make sure our students rise to the level of excellence that is expected by the Darlington County School District.

Gay Blackmon, Chairperson, DCIT Advisory Council
Bert Guerry, Director, Darlington County School District

Abbreviations Key
N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample TBD To be determined
NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status